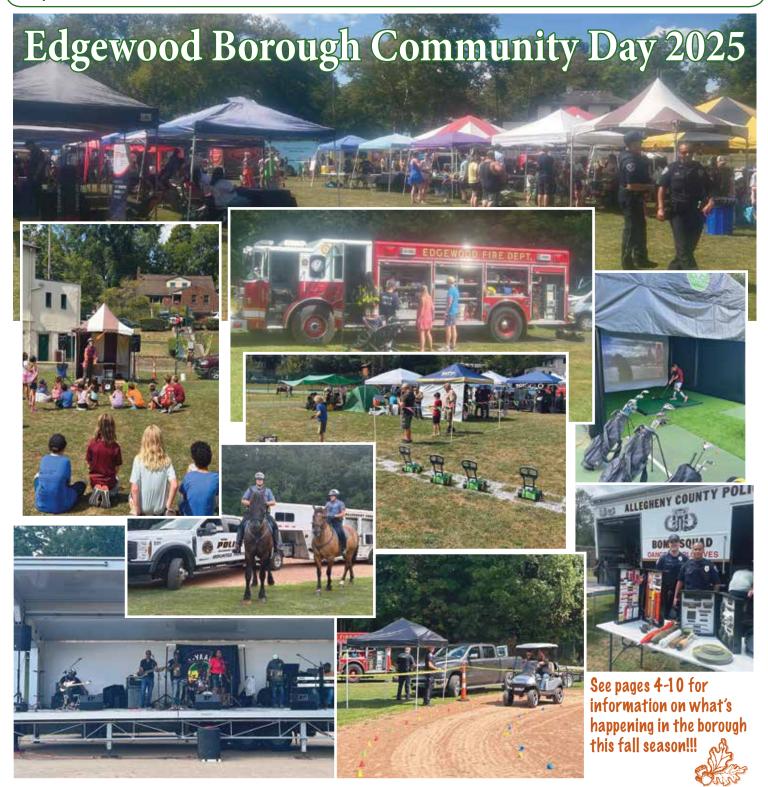


September/October 2025

A COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER OF EDGEWOOD BOROUGH



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# From The Manager's Desk

#### Municipal Complex Improvements

Starting in early September, the parking lot and grounds at the municipal building complex will undergo significant rehabilitation. The borough was awarded a \$425,000 grant to replace storm sewers, replace sidewalks, add handicapped accessible parking and enhance pedestrian safety and access around the facility. Independent Enterprises, Inc. will undertake the work which is expected to last approximately two months. There will be limited access at times to the building so please pay attention to all temporary signage. Police and fire vehicles will be positioned around the facility to respond to emergencies so please use caution if you need to visit the facility.

Please be advised that the glass recycling dumpster will not be available during this time. There is simply too much work occurring adjacent to where it is located to safely allow access.

#### **Brinton Road Traffic Island**

By now motorists have likely noticed the redesigned traffic island at Brinton Road and Maple Avenue. This PennDOT funded project removed a sight conflict between cars turning right onto Maple from Brinton Road and those turning left continuing onto Brinton Road. Of course, a new traffic pattern may take some time to figure out so please use caution and stay alert to drivers who may be unfamiliar with the new turning arrangement. Both right and left turns must be made from the stop sign at the intersection of Brinton Road and Maple Avenue.

#### Leaf Collection

Borough Council authorized the purchase of a new leaf collection machine which is currently being manufactured. Its delivery is expected in mid-October. Public works anticipates starting collection at the end of October assuming the machine arrives on time. Please do not place leaves in the street until the last week of October even though they are already starting to fall because of our extremely hot and dry weather. Please follow our announcements on social media, email and the sign board in front of the borough building for updates on leaf collection.

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# SPOTLIGHT ON BOROUGH STAFF

### **Public Works Forman Retires**

dgewood Borough congratulated Public Works Foreman, John Antolovich, on his retirement on July 31. Mr. Antolovich has served the community as an employee of our Public Works Department for nearly 24 years. Those years included many seasons of leaf collection, street sweeping, middle-of-the night calls for snow removal, or fallen trees, and working consistently to help maintain the beaty of Edgewood. The Borough workforce celebrated Mr. Antolovich's retirement with a luncheon and Council declared July 31 as "John Antolovich Day." We're grateful for Mr. Antolovich's years of hard work and we wish him all the best as he gets some well-deserved rest and relaxation and more time to spend with his family.

Retiring Foreman, John Antolovich, accepts a copy of his 'John Antolovich Day' proclamation from Borough Manager, Rob Zahorchak.





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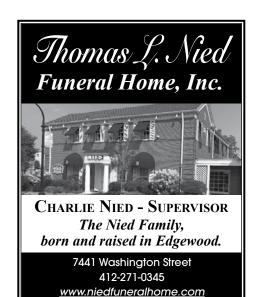
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# Edgewood Borough Police Department

#### **Back to School Reminders**

The focus of the Edgewood Police Department is to make sure all of the children get to school safely, remain safe in school, and get home safely.

There will be school buses traveling all around the area and making frequent stops. Drivers need to pay attention when buses activate the yellow and red lights. The fine for failing to stop for a school bus's activated red signal is \$250.00, plus costs, and could result in the loss of your driver's license. The monetary loss could be devastating, but nowhere near as devastating as injuring a child.

All school zones are clearly posted and have a 15 mile per hour speed limit. If you choose to exceed this speed limit, you will be subject to greater fines and penalties.

The Edgewood Police Department takes the safety of our school children very

#### Halloween Parade and Party Tuesday, October 28 • Meet-up at 6 p.m.

The Edgewood Borough Police Department presents a Halloween Parade and Party on Tuesday, October 28, starting at 6 p.m. Kids are welcome to come in costume for a neighborhood parade, immediately followed by a party at the Edgewood Club.

#### **Edgewood Borough** Welcomes New Recruits

On July 7, 2025, Mayor O'Donnell swore in Officers Andre Dixon and Dylan Shoaf, with their families and community members in attendance. Both officers are recent graduates of the police academy and are getting settled into their new po-





Officer Dylan Shoaf

Officer Andre Dixon

sitions as they continue training alongside our more senior officers. We are very excited to welcome these new officers to our community.

### FREE Compost for Residents

A compost pile is available at the Aberdeen Street entrance of Dickson Park, just outside of the gate. Residents are welcome to bring their own buckets to collect some rich garden compost. If a large amount of compost is needed, please contact Public Works at 412-242-4824, ext 220. Please note, there is a delivery fee of \$100.

Free compost is available for residents only; contractors/vendors should call the number above to inquire about compost purchasing.

Parking: the marked loading zone is available for short-term compost pick-up only. All other visitors to the park should use marked parking spaces.

# COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

# |EDGEWOOD FOUNDATION

"Fun for all ages" is a cliché, but it is a fitting cliché for the upcoming fall activities sponsored by the Edgewood Foundation. There's a little something for everyone—just the way we like it!

First up, there may still be time to join the Sleepover in the Park at Koenig Field from 7 p.m. on Saturday, September 6 until 9 a.m. on the 7th. Bring chairs, snacks and sleeping bags to watch a movie on Saturday evening. After the movie, children and their accompanying grown-ups will immediately fall asleep under the stars (we can hope, right?) and wake to juice, coffee and doughnuts on Sunday morning before heading home. Questions? Email sleepover@edgewoodfoundation.org

Also in September is the Newcomer's Reception at the Edgewood Train Station at 6 p.m. on Thursday, September 18. This is one of Edgewood's most beloved events. Hear from representatives of Edgewood's many active groups, enjoy snacks, and meet others who have started calling Edgewood home within the past year. If you have not already received an invitation to this event, contact us at newcomers@edgewoodfoundation.org.

Next on tap (pun fully intended) is Oktoberfest from 3-7 p.m. on Saturday, October 4. Brats, beer and fun-including a pig roast at Koenig Field. Tickets are \$35 for adults (free for children) and can be purchased on our website: EdgewoodFoundation.org. For questions, or if you are a vendor who wants to get involved, email us at Oktoberfest.

Our final fall activity is a signature

event for the Edgewood Foundation. Held only once every three years, Wine & Chocolate from 7-10 p.m. on November 15 at the Edgewood Club will pair wine tastings and new this year—bourbon tastings with gourmet chocolate, savory appetizers and music. Your tasting, sipping and listening pleasure will be accompanied by raffle games and bidding on more than a dozen carefully curated silent auction baskets. The Limpert Award (honoring community service to Edgewood) will also be presented at the event. While all the Edgewood Foundation members are working toward a successful Wine & Chocolate event, we are happy to have help from the community as well. Can you contribute an appetizer? A silent auction basket? Or help with check-in and ticket distribution? If so, please reach out via email to Wine and Chocolate (wine-chocolate@ edgewoodfoundation.org). If you're ready to come and have fun, you can purchase tickets (\$60 for wine or bourbon tasting, \$100 for both) at our website: EdgewoodFoundation.org.

With all of these activities to choose from, we hope we will see you several times this fall. It really will be fun for all ages.

# 2025 - 2026 **SEASON 38** The Edgewood Symphony

# Orchestra Announces its 38th Season!

Kicking off the season is a special 20th Anniversary Celebration of Maestro Walter Morales's first concert as Music Director. Under his leadership, your ESO has evolved to become the finest volunteer orchestra in the Pittsburgh region. Through high-quality performances and challenging repertoire, Maestro Morales has attracted talented volunteer musicians from all over the region and grown our dedicated audience who appreciate the heart and depth of our performances. We have collaborated with world-class professional soloists as well as local choirs and organizations. Additionally, he has been a driving force in the region for premiering new works by local composers.

This special celebration is 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 19, 2025, at the Carnegie Music Hall in Oakland. An accomplished pianist himself, Walter will perform the Ravel Piano Concerto for Left Hand and two world premieres by composers Robert Schultz and Danny English. Also on the program is an impressive work by Gabriela Ortiz and Rimsky-Korsakov's Scheherazade. A reception will follow in the lobby.

More information and a link to tickets for this concert, and all of this season's concerts, are at www. edgewoodsymphony.org.

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# COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS



#### **SEPTEMBER**

#### **Community Dinner**

Last one of the year: **September 3, 6 p.m.**We'll be firing up the grill on the side lawn with your favorites, plus some new, soon-to-be-favorites. And, as usual, they're FREE! So, bring your family, friends and neighbors for good food and fellowship!!!

### Wilkinsburg Community Ministry Mobile Food Pantry

Distribution site at FPCE, Fridays, 2 p.m., weather permitting; Come for quality free groceries or for a few volunteer hours!

#### Season of Creation Hike

**September 6 at 9 a.m.** (departure at 9:15 a.m.) at Arsenal Cemetery (meeting at the Butler Gatehouse) 4734 Butler St, Pittsburgh, PA 15201

This walk is adapted from the booklet by Fr. Brian Grogan SJ, *Creation Walk: The Amazing Story of a Small Blue Planet* (2021). Kids are welcome; no pets. Plan for a 2-3 hour walk around the cemetery.



Worship reverts back to 11 a.m. on September 7 in the sanctuary, preceded by Choir Rehearsal at 9:30 a.m.

#### October

#### Pet Blessing

Saturday October 4 at 11 a.m. on the side lawn. All creatures great and small and their guardians are welcome. The service will open with a brief liturgy and prayer, then each pet will be blessed individually. Please invite your friends, families, and neighbors to this blessing ceremony.

#### **Community Planning Meeting**

Wednesday, October 8, 7 p.m. Gathering Place. This is our 5<sup>th</sup> installment of meeting with community groups to meet in person, plan calendar events, exchange information, etc. We will be looking at dates December through June 2026. If you are involved with an Edgewood community group, come and share.

#### Apple Festival

Saturday, October 11, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. After the rousing success of our new and improved Strawberry Festival we will be hosting another fundraiser showcasing apples! Come indulge in delicious treats like caramel apples, apple crumble, apple cider and more! Join us for an afternoon of fun, flavor and community.



#### Crop Walk

**Sunday, October 12, 2 p.m.** at the Pittsburgh East community will celebrate its 48th year of walking to end hunger one step at a time. The oldest walk in the country, is sponsored by Church World Service **www.churchworldservice.org**.

25% of what we raise is returned as grants to East End Cooperative Ministries and Wilkinsburg Community Ministry. FPCE will participate in this event with walkers from our congregation.

If anyone else would like to join our small group of walkers, let the Church Office know. There are multiple length walks ranging from 1 to 4 miles around Waverly Church, Frick Park, etc. You can participate by either walking or sponsoring FPCE walkers by going to Pittsburgh East CROP Hunger Walk, scroll down to bottom of page, type in First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood to contribute online and support our effort to reduce hunger in our area!

Check our website: www.fpcedgewood. org for more information



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#### WPSD Annual Auction & Gala

Join the Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf at the 2025 Auction & Gala at The Rivers Casino in Pittsburgh on Friday, October 3.

Enjoy an evening of great food and drinks and an exciting variety of silent and live auction items while supporting the programs and services that WPSD offers to Deaf and Hard of Hearing students.

Save your place at the 2025 Gala—We hope to see you there!

Sponsorships and tickets can soon be purchased at www.wpsd.org.

#### WPSD Community Block Party

Mark your calendars for the afternoon of Saturday, September 27! The Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf (WPSD) will host its annual Community Block Party from 1-4 p.m. The party is free and open to the public. It takes place on the WPSD campus at the corner of Walnut Street and Swissvale Avenue in Edgewood.

It's a fun afternoon for the whole family, including games and activities for the kids, a petting zoo, food, and more. This event is a great opportunity for our local communities to come together, get to know each other better, and continue to develop and strengthen relationships with one another. FREE vendor space is available to local businesses and organizations!

For more information about the Block Party or obtaining vendor space, please contact Sarah Bartlebaugh at 412-244-4207 or **sbartlebaugh@wpsd.org**. Please follow us on our website and Facebook for updates on the day. We hope you will join us for this fun event!





#### **Sports**

#### Field reservations

Groups or individuals engaged in an organized (i.e. leagues, social clubs, amateur associations, etc) sporting activity are required to apply for and receive a field use permit. Individuals or small groups wanting dedicated space are encouraged to make a reservation to ensure access, especially during peak times. Otherwise, field space/courts are first come, first serve.

Scheduling preference will be given to Edgewood residents and then to other leagues, groups, clubs and associations. The public may use all other parts of Koenig Field at any time that are not reserved.

Reservations are accepted from April 1 through November 15. The tennis/pickleball courts, restrooms and water fountains are closed to the public outside of the dates listed above. Other areas of the field may still be used for off-season personal and recreational use. Edgewood Borough withholds the right to make changes to availability of any part of Koenig Field.

#### Youth Basketball

This league is for boys and girls in Kindergarten\* through Grade 6 (\*Kindergarteners should be age 6 as of the start of the season). You do not need to be an Edgewood resident to play. There will be up to 10 kids per team, with no more than 80 kids per Division (the exact number of teams is partially dependent on coach availability and will be determined during the registration process).

#### **EDGEWOOD RECREATION**

This is to allow adequate gym time for all teams, and the best experience for all participants. Anyone who still wishes to sign up once we have reached capacity will be wait-listed.

We will be resuming our draft this year. For those who have not participated in this league, the draft takes place on a Saturday in mid to late December, by age division, and is an opportunity to ensure that teams are evenly matched by skill level. The regular season begins in early January. Practices will take place one weeknight evening each week. Games are held Saturday mornings, according to Division.

The fee for this league is \$70. T-shirts will be provided. Registration opens Monday, October 27 and ends Friday, December 5. Please use this link to register, which is also available on our webpage, edgewood.pgh. pa.us, and Facebook page, Edgewood Borough Community Events: https://go.teamsnap.com/forms/496056.

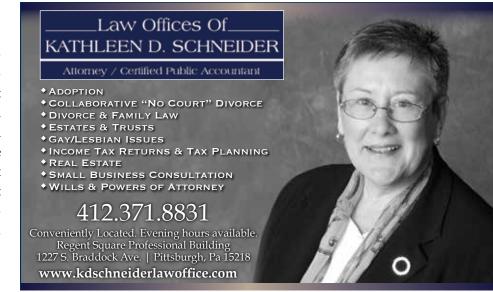
We are still looking for volunteers, especially coaches! Basketball experience is not required, we just need good role models role model to help kids stay active and have fun! CLEARANCES ARE REQUIRED.

For questions, please call or email Abigail at the Borough Office at 412-242-4824, ext 217, office@ edgewoodboro.com.

#### Men's Basketball

Men's Basketball meets on Thursday evenings from 7-9 p.m., starting in early December and running through the end of March. The fee to participate is \$40 for the season. Registration is taken through Teamsnap, using this link: https://go.teamsnap.com/forms/496057

For questions about the league, please email Matt Dettore at matthewdettore@ gmail.com. For questions related to registration, please email Abby at office@edgewoodboro.com, or call 412-242-4824, ext 217.





### MOVIE IN THE PARK AT KOENIG FIELD

Sponsored by Shaolin Studios

### Movie in the Park / Sleepover in the Park Saturday, September 6 (into Sunday, September 7), 'A Minecraft Movie'

Edgewood Borough presents 'A Minecraft Movie' (2025), for our last summer feature. This film is full of silly humor and is rated PG (note, there is some mild profanity). Stick around for the Edgewood Foundation's 'Sleepover in the Park!' We're teaming up to bring you this special event on Saturday, September 6 (into Sunday, September 7).

Starting at 7 p.m., set up your tents, plus blankets/chairs and enjoy the movie (starting at dusk\*), along with snacks provided by the Foundation, and stay all night in the park! Donuts, juice, and coffee will be available in the morning for those who stay.

All Koenig Field rules must be followed. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Please check our Facebook page, Edgewood Borough Community Events, for updates and additional information. For questions regarding the Sleepover event, please contact the Edgewood Foundation (edgewoodfoundation.org).

\*Please note that the start time for each movie varies, based on the time of sunset and possible cloud cover. Most movies start approximately 8:30-9. We want to ensure adequate darkness for best visibility of the film.

# Community Day 'Thank You'

COMMUNITY DAY 2025 We appreciate everyone who worked, volunteered their time, and attended this year's Community Day, including all community groups and food/market vendors! We'd like to

offer a special thanks to the following individuals and organizations:

#### **Mike Hooks**

Edgewood Public Works

Edgewood Police and Fire Departments

The Edgewood Foundation

Mike the Balloon Guy Company

Susie's Pony Rides

Tee Time to Go



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PERSONAL INJURY & WORKERS' COMPENSATION

#### Fallfest (+Oktoberfest)

#### October 4, 3-6 p.m. at Koenig Field

Come down to Koenig Field for an afternoon of fall-themed fun for the whole family! Fallfest will include market vendors, grab 'n go crafts for kids, and hayrides! Make sure to get your tickets for the Edgewood Foundation's Oktoberfest to enjoy, brats, beer and a pig roast!

This event takes place from 3-6 p.m. (last hayride departs at 5:40). There is no entry fee for Fallfest activities. Oktoberfest goes until 7 p.m. and can be accessed by purchase of a ticket (please contact the Edgewood Foundation for more details: edgewoodfoundation.org). If you are interested in participating as a market vendor for Fallfest, please email office@edgewoodboro.com.

#### Trick or Treat



Trick-or-Treating in Edgewood Borough will occur on Friday, October 31 from 6-8 p.m. Resi-

dents who do not want to participate should turn off their outside lights.

#### **Safety Tips:**

- Be visible (use reflective tape, or glow sticks)
- Follow street safety laws; watch for traffic
- Go in groups
- Check costumes for user safety
- Avoid open flames
- Inspect treats; avoid homemade treats



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#### Fall Fun at Mellor Memorial Library at CCM Edgewood branch (E) and CCM Forest Hills branch (FH)

#### Show that you Love Your Library

Annual Adopt-a-Book Party (E) will be held on September 19. Join us for an enchanting after-hours fundraiser in the library. Enjoy food, drink, and conversation while perusing hundreds of "adoptable" books for our collection. All proceeds support the library.

#### Fall Fun for everyone:

Pumpkin Decorating Contest (E) October 20-25 Find your family, flag down your friends, or scout out your troop: it's time to gather your group and enter the Pumpkin Decorating Contest! Please go to ccmellorlibrary.org for the rules and important dates.

#### Kids & Family Programs:

Play Dough Playdate (E) Saturday, September 13 at 9 a.m. Squish, roll, and play with play dough! We'll have a variety of stations with activities and challenges to try. All ages welcome but best for ages 3-8.

Creation Station—Butterflies (FH) September 27 at 10:30 a.m. Stop by this September to see some hungry, hungry caterpillars as they transform into butterflies. Learn about what insects pollinate our gardens and wish them well before they fly off. Storytime is at 10:30 a.m. with a drop-in makerspace butterfly craft.

**Pumpkin Storytime (FH)** Saturday, October 19 at 1 p.m. Pumpkins, pumpkins, pumpkins will be rolling out at our Forest Hills branch. Come enjoy a special Saturday story time with pumpkin stories and a craft. For kids ages 4-8.

#### Tween Programs:

Design Lives Here (E) Wednesdays in September & October at 5 p.m. Ready to think like an engineer? Join WQED's Design Lives Here! We'll work on a different challenge every week, engineering our own prototypes with supplies you might have around the house. For the last few weeks, we'll consider design challenges in our own lives and create our own inventions to solve them! For tweens ages 8-12.

#### Tween Videogame Tournament (FH)

Thursday, October 23 at 5 p.m. Bring your friends for snacks and to compete in a Nintendo Switch video game tournament! Mario Cart, Mario Party, Switch Sports and more will be available to play. Ages 9-13.

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**Teen Advisory Board** (E) 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 4:30 p.m., beginning September 9 Calling all teens! Interested in helping out around the library? Need some volunteer hours for school? Come to our Teen Advisory Board! We're looking a board of teens to get together to help with planning teen programs and events as well as purchasing any current books of interest. This group will be the perfect way to get involved with your community and meet other teens in the area!

**Teen Board Game Club (E)** 1st Tuesday of each month at 4:30, beginning September 2 Come explore CCM's extensive board game collection with snacks and friends!

**Bracelet Making Workshop (E)** Tuesday, September 23 at 4:40 p.m.

**Fall Candle Making Workship (E)** Tuesday, September 30 at 4:40 p.m.

**Spooky S'mores (E)** Tuesday, October 21 at 4:40 p.m.

Headless Horseman Escape Room (E) October 28 at 4:40 p.m.

**Learn to be a Dungeon Master 101 (E)** Tuesday, October 18 at 4:40 p.m.

#### **Adult Programs:**

Meet Mark Fatla, Author of "Pittsburgh's Historic Ballparks" (E) Saturday, September 6 at 6 p.m. Mark Fatla will be in to speak about his book "Pittsburgh's Historical Ballparks" as well as his next book coming out this year: "Pittsburgh's Historic Stadi-

ums and Arenas", covering the pro football, hockey and basketball venues in Pittsburgh. Mr. Falta will also be selling copies of his book for \$25 after the presentation.

**Dying Curious Non-Fiction Book Club (E)** 4th Wednesday of each month at noon, begin-

4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month at noon, beginning September 24 A nonfiction book club for people who want to read about, think about, and talk about, death and dying.

**Seed Swap (E)** Saturday, October 4 at 10 a.m. Come swap seeds to help fill your garden and replenish our seed library!

Financial Workshop for First-time Home-buyers (FH) Saturday, October 18 at 9 a.m. Learn how to shop for a home, navigate loan options and plan for down payment and closing costs. Experts cover everything from credit to closing with grants available for down payments in some areas. Please register in advance.

WQED Presents Homecoming: Sergeant Hamilton's Long Journey (FH) Thursday, October 30 at 2:30-3:30 p.m.

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Portraits from the Homefront (E) Thursday, October 30 at 6 p.m. CC Mellor Edgewood will host a program by WQED about local librarian Elizabeth Black who sketched hundreds of American servicemen during WWII. Join us for a video presentation and discussion with refreshments.

Our full slate of regular programs will continue through the fall including Baby Talk, Family Storytime, Music and Movement Storytime, Makerspace Monday, The Wanderers, Forest Hills Social Hour, Knitting Group, Conversation Salon, Fourth Tuesday Book Club, Drop Dead Book Club, Great Outdoors Book Club, Mahjong, and Crafting Circle.





# **The Launching of a New Memorial for Ronnie Smith and Ann Gibson**Submitted by Jeff Boucek

#### Introduction

Many of you will remember the loss of Ronnie Smith (EHS Class of 69) and Ann Gibson (EHS Class of 71) in the Spring of 1972. Shortly following this tragic event the School District planted two trees in front of the high school in their honor.

During the construction of the bus lane in front of the schools earlier this year, the trees were taken down.

After much discussion about reestablishing a new memorial in their honor, it has been decided to place a bench in the Edgewood Memorial Park in memory of Ronnie and Ann.

#### The Vision Behind the Memorial

The creation of the new memorial arose from the collective desire to honor the lives of Ronnie and Ann. Both were cherished members of the community, friends of many and taken much too soon.

#### Funding the Memorial: A Collaborative Effort

A fundraising raffle to benefit the Edgewood Veterans was held in June at the EHS All Class Reunion. With the combined effort of many attending the event, enough money was raised to cover the cost of the bench. Thanks to all who participated in the raffle and to the Edgewood Veterans for making this a reality.

#### Edgewood's Memorial Park

The Memorial Park has long been the center of the Bourgh. As children many of us spent time there as we were coming and going from Druggie. As the park aged, it was determined that it needed updating and enhancements to bring it back to the center of the community where people could go to relax with their thoughts.

Through the hard work of several volunteers the transformation has been wonderful and has become not only a place for us to memorialize military veterans, but members of our community as well.

#### The Importance of Remembrance

The newly revitalized Memorial Park stands as a vivid reminder that remembrance is not merely an act of looking back, but a way of moving forward. In memorializing Ronnie Smith and Ann Gibson, the community reaffirms its values—integrity, generosity, creativity, and hope.

In every season, Edgewood's beloved Memorial Park offers a space for gathering, grieving, celebrating, and dreaming.

Perhaps most importantly, the memorial to Ronnie and Ann will serve as a reminder that each life leaves a mark, and that by investing in one another, we create something enduring and beautiful.

#### Dedication Date

The date for dedicating the memorial bench is not yet decided.



#### **Administration Updates**

The Woodland Hills School District administration team is on the move. Over the summer, the district completed a move of its administrative personnel from its current headquarters at 531 Jones Avenue in North Braddock to available space at the high school in Churchill. All offices and operations that were at the administration building are now at the high school, including the Superintendent and Assistant Superintendents, special education, pupil personnel, buildings and grounds, the business office, human resources, information technology, and transportation.

Phone numbers and emails for all of the administrators and personnel impacted by this move have remained the same. Signage is in place at the entrance to the high school and throughout the campus, directing visitors to the entrance to the administration offices. Those offices will be located at the back of the high school building. Visitors will be able to use parking in the back. Please note that all visitors will be required to have scheduled appointments with an administrator; walkins will not be permitted for security reasons during school hours.

All board meetings will be held at the high school in the LGI Room. The new mailing address for all central administration mail is 2552 Greensburg Pike, Pittsburgh, PA 15221.

# UPDATES FROM OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS



# State Rep. Abigail Salisbury

Legislative update: strengthening storm assistance, helping the funding flow, keeping a public face on government agents

As your state representative, I'm working hard to make life in the district easier, safer, and more prosperous. I wanted to update you on some of those efforts, including my bills to improve storm assistance, help communities capture more grant funding, and foster greater trust and transparency between citizens and the government.

#### Helping you prepare for the next storm

With an increase in extreme weather events like the April 29 storm that knocked out power to some 400,000 residents, it's clear that we need to bolster our storm response at all levels of government. This summer, I introduced legislation that would require the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency to send state legislative offices the same weather emergency notifications it provides local county officials.

My bill—which would also require PEMA to establish a direct communication channel with state offices—would enhance our ability to help residents in the critical hours and minutes before a storm. The bill is currently awaiting committee consideration.

#### **Keeping funding flowing to municipalities**

Although state grants can be a critical lifeline for communities, those dollars often fail to reach the municipalities most in need because they lack the expertise and resources required to successfully apply for the funding. To help fix the problem, I introduced legislation that would provide municipalities with grant-writing training and also help them contract with professional grant writers. Doing so would help ensure that funding from valuable state grant programs makes its way to the communities these programs were designed to serve.

The bill recently advanced out of committee and is awaiting full House consideration.

#### Strengthening public trust in government actors

When government agents or other law enforcement officers wear masks that conceal their identity, it jeopardizes public trust and threatens public safety. It's a problem made worse by the frightening trend of bad actors impersonating law enforcement officers to carry out hostile acts.

To address the issue, I'm introducing legislation with several colleagues that would prohibit government agents and law enforcement officers from wearing masks or other face coverings during official operations, except in narrow circumstances such as safety emergencies or sanctioned undercover work. Our bill would also require government agents and law enforcement officers to wear clothing clearly indicating their department, agency, or affiliation. Making it easier for the public to identify when someone is acting on behalf of the government would ease uncertainty and better protect citizens and law enforcement from bad actors who would use obscurity to cause harm.

#### Keeping you connected

Please remember that our talented staff can help with a wide range of state-related matters, from filing for a Property Tax or Rent Rebate to obtaining a Senior ConnectCard or disability placard, to solving questions or problems involving PennDOT and other state agencies. Stop by the district office at 501 Braddock Ave. in Braddock Monday through Friday between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., call us at 412-273-3400, or email us at **RepSalisbury@pahouse.net**.

For more news and information about upcoming events, including our 2025 Nonprofit Symposium, visit me at www.RepSalisbury.com, follow me on Facebook @RepASalisbury, and opt in to receive my weekly e-newsletter by visiting www.pahouse.com/Salisbury/EmailSignUp/.

State Rep. Abigail Salisbury Pennsylvania's 34th Legislative District.



# **Congressman Chris Deluzio**

### No More Getting Ripped Off by the Airlines

I spend a lot of time in airports and on planes as part of my work traveling down to Washington. So I know how much of a pain in the neck it is when a flight gets delayed. And believe me I know how much it stinks if you're traveling with your kids and the airline hits you with a delay! But even worse is when the airline rips us off and skimps on the refund. It happens A LOT, and I know we're all sick of it.

I'm fighting back against the airline industry's power and co-sponsoring new *bipartisan* legislation to toughen the rules for when they *have to* offer a cash refund for a delayed flight.

The *Time is Money Act* makes a simple change that will help a lot of people. This bill would force the airlines to offer a refund for delays of 2+ hours for a domestic flight and 5+ hours for an international flight.

It would mean **more people get the refund they're owed** when the airline screws up. And hopefully it'll be a strong incentive for the airline industry to plan better and not jam us up in the first place.

We get on airplanes for some of the most important things in our lives—a family vacation that you've saved up for, visiting out-of-town relatives, and more. The airline industry shouldn't be able to ruin our plans and just write it off as 'the cost of doing business.' Legislation like the *Time is Money Act* will help. Let's get it done.

Want to learn more about my work in Congress? Sign up for my e-newsletter at https://deluzio.house.gov/contact/news-letter-subscribe, or follow me on Facebook at @RepChrisDeluzio, YouTube at @Rep.ChrisDeluzio, or other channels Instagram, X (formerly twitter), Threads, and Bluesky at @RepDeluzio.

My office also provides casework services for constituents in Edgewood and beyond who need help with a federal agency like the Social Security Administration, the IRS, or the VA. Please get in touch with my office and we will do all we can to help—you can give us a call at 412-344-5583.

\*\*Congressman Chris Deluzio (PA-17)\*

https://deluzio.house.gov/

Very respectfully,

Chris Deluzio

Member of Congress

Please note, the updates provided by our elected officials are intended to inform constituents of what's happening now in PA State government, including currently proposed legislation. Edgewood Borough does not endorse any political party, candidate, or policy.

# A Note from the Shade Tree Commitee

TREE ART SUBMISSION

### SEND US YOUR TREE ART!

Calling all artists under 18—Send us your tree art!

We're looking for drawings, paintings, poems, and short stories celebrating trees! Please either mail submissions to: Edgewood Borough

Attention: Tree Committee (art submission) 2 Race Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15218 OR Email to **office@edgewoodboro.com**, with 'tree art submission' and the artist's last name in the subject line.

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# CALENDAR at a glance...

#### **SEPTEMBER**

Council Meetings: 2\* & 15, 7:30 pm

at Borough Building

Refuse: 5\*, 11, 18, 25

Recycling: 5\*, 18

**Borough Office Closed: 19** 

Movie Night (The Minecraft Movie)/

Sleepover in the Park: 6

**Newcomers Reception: 18** 

**OCTOBER** 

Council Meetings: 6 & 20, 7:30 pm

at Borough Building

**Refuse:** 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

**Recycling: 2, 16, 30** 

Fallfest/Oktoberfest: 4

\*Delayed due to holiday



# A note from the real estate tax collector...

Any unpaid 2025 Edgewood Borough real estate tax is due at penalty and will be turned over to the delinquent tax collector at the end of December. Please send your payments to Jordan Tax Service, Inc. by December 31 to avoid any additional penalties. Checks should be made out to the Borough of Edgewood.

All Real Estate payments should be mailed to Jordan Tax Service, Inc., 102 Rahway Road, McMurray, PA 15317. Please call 724-7312300 with any questions.

#### **JORDAN TAX SERVICE, INC.** 102 RAHWAY ROAD MCMURRAY, PA 15317 www.jordantax.com

The 2024 Woodland Hills School Tax was mailed out July 1, 2025. Directions for payment are printed on the insert. Checks should be made out to Woodland Hills School District.

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OR....drop off at the borough building. Email: newsletter@edgewoodboro.com

If you have any questions call: 412-242-4824.

# Borough Directory

## **Borough Office Information**

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Phone ...... 412-242-4824 Fax...... 412-242-4027

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Mailing address: ..... Two Race Street

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**Borough Manager** 

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Email:.....manager@edgewoodboro.com

Code Enforcement

Steven Stegner...... 412-242-4824, ext. 219

Email:....inspections@edgewoodboro.com

Tuesday/Thursday

Recreation

Tax Office

Jordan Tax Service ...... 724-731-2311

**Wage Taxes** 

Keystone Collections ...... 724-978-0300

Police and Fire

Emergency ...... 911

**Police Chief** 

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Email:.....policechief@edgewoodboro.com

**Fire Chief** 

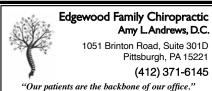
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# 2025 Leaf Pick-Up Schedule

(Begins tentatively 10/27/2025)

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Beech Street	Garland Street	Allenby Avenue		Chestnut Street	
Dewey Street	Greendale Avenue	East End Avenue	Coal Street		
Elmer Street	Harlow Street	East End Ext.	<u> </u>	E. Hutchinson Avenue	
Hawthorne Street	Ivy Street	Mifflin Avenue	l T	E. Swissvale Avenue	
Locust Street	Laurel Street	Monongahela Alley	C	Edgewood Avenue	
Maple Avenue	Lincoln Avenue	Sanders Street	Н	Elm Street	
McKelvey Avenue	McKay Street	Savannah Avenue		Gordon Street	
Morris Street	Pennwood Avenue	Short Race Street	U	LaCrosse Street	
Walnut Street	Race Street	Trenton Avenue	P	Lehigh Street	
	Seddon Road	Vine Street		Linden Avenue	
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				Westmoreland Avenue	

Please Note: This is <u>LEAF</u> Collection ONLY—<u>Do Not Include Yard Waste</u>.

Place your <u>LEAVES</u> at the curb no sooner than the <u>NIGHT BEFORE</u> your pickup.

DO NOT PLACE LEAVES IN THE STREET. THEY CAN BLOCK CATCH BASINS AND BE HAZARDOUS TO MOTORISTS AND PEDESTRIANS.

PLEASE KEEP THEM AT THE CURB.

Collection is weather dependent. Heavy rain or snow weighs down the leaves making them harder to vacuum. Additional time can be required if we experience several consecutive days of bad weather. Crews strive to collect each street on the posted day but that is not always possible.